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The Apple Tree.

In my garden an apple tree
To heaven reared its head,
In praise of God, as all could see,
His arm-like boughs it spread.
A silent sermon preached that tree,
As plain as e'er I heard,
And as it seemed addressed to me,
I drank in every word.

The God of nature I proclaim:
The tree went on to say—
The Sole Creator is His name,
The universe owns His sway;
He made the worlds as now they stand:
Obedient to His will,
He holds them in His mighty hand,
His law they all fulfill.

In me His law's exemplified,
As all who will may know,
Each year I've lived I've also died,
So far as outward show;
Each winter finds me stiff and stark,
The birds sing in my boughs again,
The streams of life beneath my bark
Doth there no longer spread.

But spring-time comes and by His power
I from the dead arise,
My fruit is latent in each flower
Which breaks forth from my eyes;
The birds sing in my boughs again,
"Tis resurrection morn'
And I rejoice in teaching men
Of resurrection's dawn.

—O. M. STEWARD.

A WHITE MAN SACRIFICES HIS LIFE

To Save That of a Negro—His Co-Laborer and Friend.

(Shreveport, La. News Enterprise.)
Mr. W. J. Walker, a white man, who was employed by the Shreveport, Gas Electric Light and Power Co., and whose business it was to keep the arc lights in the city in good order, in company with (Mr. Emanuel Sherman—a Negro—on making their daily round, came to the light on Hamilton Terrace.

Mr. Emanuel Sherman went to the pole to let down the lamp for the purpose of trimming it. As he took hold of the suspension wire, his body was jerked from the ground and while he was hanging by the electric charged wire, Mr. Walker, who was in his buggy, ran and grabbed the wire with one hand and Sherman with the other, thus forming a complete circuit and causing deadly volts to pass through his body which produced death almost instantly.

Mr. Sherman was badly burned about the hands and it was some time before he could use his muscles.

Everything was done by physicians and friends to resuscitate Mr. Walker, but all in vain. The colored man, while in agony, looked and saw the fate of his white friend asked those present to try and save Mr. Walker.

The colored man is doing fairly well and will recover, but the white man has ended his career in life, and has gone to appear before his Maker.

A great crowd of both colored and white assembled on the scene and every one showed that they sorrowed for the young white man who had performed such a heroic deed.

While the unfortunate occurrence cannot be remedied now, we might say a word, for the benefit of others: Don't get too careless with your job. The man who had everything with him to prevent just such happening, but, being careless, and on to the job, allowed himself to venture without them. What is the use of companies furnishing their employees with the necessary preventatives, and they not use them? Don't get too old with your job. Had he done as directed by the company, the white man would, no doubt, be living, and he would not have been shocked almost to death.

The Negroes of this city ought to erect a monument to this young white man, if allowed to do so. Let us show to the white people, that we appreciate heroic deeds performed by them for any member of our race.

Mr. Johnson's Trip.

Mr. J. W. Johnson, the "Navy-Hill financier" will leave this week for a trip through the South-land. He will be absent about sixty days, visiting Raleigh, N. C., Charleston, S. C., Atlanta, Ga., Tuskegee, Ala., Jacksonville, Fla. and other southern cities.

Mr. Johnson has made remarkable progress in this city by his large dealings in real estate. He is one of the wealthiest colored men in the state and is most favorably known among the financial institutions of this city. We cordially recommend him to the favorable consideration of those influential people with whom he may come in contact during his travels.

ATLANTIC CITY HAS A MYSTERY

Attempts to Wreck Pennsylvania Flyer May Bring Arrests.

GOODRICH'S STORY DOUBTED

Atlantic City, Nov. 21.—Two attempts to wreck a Pennsylvania railroad train and what may have been an attempt to murder the man who says he frustrated the first effort are the salient features of one of the most baffling mysteries that has ever come to the attention of the police of this city.

As the scene of the would-be crime is out of the jurisdiction, the police here are not bound to make an investigation, but they are, nevertheless, paying great attention to the case and Captain of Detectives Maxwell says that the developments promise a sensational climax. Captain Maxwell freely admits that he has some startling evidence in his possession which to divulge now would defeat the ends of his examination, which will probably result in an arrest.

In the tangle of peculiar circumstances only one thing is certain and that is that the train for Philadelphia was saved from a disastrous and unquestionably fatal wreck by the merest chance.

The remainder of the case hinges on the truthfulness of Lloyd Goodrich, a young man 22 years old, who is staying with Dr. W. H. Walling, at 1209 Pacific avenue. Goodrich tells in detail a narrative of a remarkable experience when he was bound to a pile of railroad ties and left on the tracks to be killed. He says he escaped by cutting the ropes with his pocket knife. Certain discrepancies in his statements have led the police to be skeptical of their entire truth and they mean to question him more closely.

When seen at Dr. Walling's residence the young man exhibited both wrists, which were chafed as though by cords, and a long red welt on the back of his neck was just such a mark as would have been made by a rope. On his forehead there were marks of a severe blow.

Goodrich has not yet been catechized by the police, but will be closely questioned after they have secured what other evidence they can and it will then be seen how closely his version fits the known facts.

The second attempt was made at exactly the same spot where Goodrich says he had his battle. The position was so chosen that had the ties not been removed they would have plunged the locomotive into the stream and there would have been a fearful wreck. It was Charles Adams, a bay faberman, and William Hackett, an employee of the railroad, who averted the disaster.

Adams was on his way to visit his sloop when he saw what looked like a man lying across the tracks. On investigation he saw that five ties had been laid there, one across both rails and the other four across the outside rail. As he was wondering who could have attempted such a crime he heard the whistle of the train and calling for help to a man who was approaching he set to work to clear the tracks.

The other, who was Hackett, assisted in the work. The two had not removed the obstructions a minute before the train dashed by.

While the young man's account by no means explains the case satisfactorily, it is nevertheless the only plausible explanation thus far advanced which accounts for everything.

AIMS OLD GUN—KILLS SISTER

Pathetic End of Childish Prank On Returning From School.

Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 22.—Beautiful Agnes Best, the 17-year-old daughter of Samuel Best, a farmer, was shot and killed by her 14-year-old brother, Samuel, who in a boyish prank took aim at her head with an old shotgun he had found hidden away in a cupboard.

The boy found the gun after they had returned from district school, and immediately conceived the idea of making a target of Agnes, who stood in the doorway. The girl was killed.

Russian Refugees Arrive.

Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—Among the 671 passengers who arrived here on the British steamship Marica from Liverpool and Queenstown were a number of the sailors of the Russian battleship Potemkin, whose crew was in mutiny in the Black Sea last summer. The men were met by friends and taken to New York. About 200 Jews from various parts of Russia were also passengers on the Marica. Some of them were refugees from cities where outrages against the Jews had been committed.

Alabama Penny Savings Bank Building Destroyed.

The fine new three story brick building of the Alabama Penny Savings Bank at Birmingham, Ala., one of the leading colored banking institutions in the South, was destroyed by fire shortly after midnight, Monday morning. About a half-block of buildings, entailing a loss estimated at \$150,000 was wiped out. The amount of insurance is not stated.

Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D. Here.

Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D. of Washington, D. C., will conduct services at the Sharon Baptist Church, Sunday Nov. 26th, 1905 at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Lott Carey Convention.

The Lott Carey Convention of the United States has been absorbed by the National Baptist Convention and will hereafter recognize it as the supreme head. For the present it will maintain its autonomy in the shape of a District Convention. The compact recommends the union of the two state bodies, the Virginia Baptist State Convention and the General Association. It is a far cry to the time of the consummation of this hope and recommendation. Here is the agreement:

At the recent session of the National Baptist Convention the following compact was entered into between the National Baptist Convention and the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missionary Convention of the United States of America.

"For a more perfect unification of the Negro Baptist forces of the United States of America, and for the better promotion of missions at home and abroad, the following agreement was entered into between the National Baptist and the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Conventions respectively:

(1) For the present fiscal year we favor the Lott Carey Convention maintaining its organic identity in the capacity of a District Convention under the following provisions, to which your Foreign Mission Board and the Commissioners of the Lott Carey Convention have agreed, viz:

(a) The Lott Carey Convention Missionaries are to be enrolled as missionaries of the National Baptist Convention for this present fiscal year.

(b) Receipts and expenditures of money by its officers should be regularly reported to the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention.

(c) While we do not interfere with local organizations in the several states, yet we venture to express the hope that the day will soon come when there will be only one state organization in each state, and it working in harmony with the National Baptist Convention.

And as to the territory now occupied by the recently organized first District Convention, as a District or any other organization that may now be occupying the same territory, we leave any matter of difficulty to be adjusted by them. And we respectfully suggest and recommend that all Baptist churches cordially and generously receive representatives of either the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention or the Lott Carey District Convention shall be in need of immediate funds for the maintenance of their respective financial obligations, mutual helpfulness shall obtain, and so far as possible the wishes of both organizations shall be respected.

(f) Upon the adoption of this preamble and agreement between the National Baptist Convention and the Lott Carey Convention herein effected a consolidation between the two bodies is formed and we pray that the great head of the church may bless them both, in this happy consummation.

(Signed)

John H. Frank,
Chairman Foreign Mission Board
P. F. Morris,
J. A. Whitfield,
W. T. Johnson,
A. W. Pegues,
C. S. Brown.

Representing the Lott Carey Foreign Mission District Convention of the United States of America.

FOR SALE.

1003 & 1005 St. John St. Rent \$16 a month. Price \$1500.
935 & 935 1/2 Hickory St. Rent \$21 a month. Price \$1800.
POLLARD & BAGBY,
6 N. 11th St.

REV. DR. WILLIAM TROY LAID TO REST

DIED AT CAMDEN, N. J.

Imposing Ceremonies Here. Large Crowd at Funeral.

Rev. William Troy, D. D. died Friday night 10:55 at Camden, N. J. in the 77th year of his age. He was a great sufferer. He had been stricken with paralysis for some time and this with Bright's disease of the kidneys and other complications hastened the end.

Camden is across the river from Philadelphia, Pa. He lived with his daughter, Mrs. Annie Walker. Services were held in Philadelphia and the Ministers' Conference of which he was a member held eulogistic services over the remains. Mr. John B. Harris, the Funeral Director had charge of the remains and prepared them for burial.

THE REMAINS REACH HERE.

On this end of the line, Funeral Director A. D. Price had charge of them. Mrs. Oliver (his daughter), and her daughter, Zenobia left Saturday evening for Philadelphia. The funeral party reached this city last Wednesday morning at 8:20 and consisted of the widow, Mrs. Annie Walker, Mrs. Fannie E. Oliver and Miss Zenobia Oliver. The remains were conveyed to the Sharon Baptist Church, where they laid in state until 2 P. M. They were then conveyed to the Second Baptist Church where the services took place. Rev. Z. D. Lewis, D. D. officiating.

BORN IN VIRGINIA.

Rev. William Troy was born in Essex county, Va. March 10th, 1829. His mother was free, her mother being of English parentage. He married Miss Sidney Blackburn, October 24th, 1848. He professed religion at the age of twelve years and joined the Baptist Church. In 1848 he located in Cincinnati, O., where he joined the Zion Baptist Church. He was at one time pastor of the church at Annapolis, Canada, remaining there three years, after which time he went to Windsor, Canada. He travelled in Europe, Canada and the United States. He visited the islands of Jamaica, Hayti.

CALLED TO THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH.

He came to Richmond in 1866 and for nine months lectured and preached to the people. In 1867 he accepted the call to the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church of this city. In 1874, he resigned the pastorate and organized the Industrial School and Church known as the Moore St. Industrial and Mission School. In 1880, he was recalled to the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church. He subsequently resigned the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church and organized the Sharon Baptist Church of Philadelphia, of underground railroad fame.

—Mrs. Callie D. Brown has been indisposed this week.

—Mrs. W. F. Graham has been confined to her room but is now much improved.

—Mrs. Claude Brown has been seriously indisposed, but is now much improved.

—Mr. Royall Davis is in the city. He will return to Hot Springs, Va. shortly.

—Mr. J. F. Smith, who has been ill for several months is out again attending to business.

—Cadet Willie Thomas, of Pythia Cadet Co. No. 1, is indisposed at his home No. 813 N. St. James St.

—Rev. W. H. Brooks, D. D. will preach at Ebenezer Baptist Church Sunday Nov. 26th, at 11 A. M.

—The St. Luke Emporium will open for business on the 27th inst. at 112 E. Broad St. The Bank has been placed in the dry-goods department and the office railing from the former bank headquarters reset at the new quarters. The old vault will be used principally for the safety of the books of the organization and for such branch banking business as may come from that section of the city.

President G. W. Hayes of Virginia Theological Seminary and College was in the city this week. He came on account of the death of his aunt's husband, Mr. D. W. Branch, who departed this life Thursday, Nov. 16th, at his residence, 624 N. 9th St. Mr. Hayes reports his school in a most prosperous condition.

HORRIBLY BURNED.

A Colored Woman Loses Her Life.

On last Sunday morning flames destroyed a shanty on Church Hill and caused the death of a colored woman and the serious, if not fatal injury of a colored man, and burned up the house watch-dog, which is supposed to have caused the blaze by upsetting an oil lamp which had been left to burn through the night. The fire was discovered shortly after 5 o'clock Sunday morning. The shanty, consisting of two rooms, was located in the rear of No. 115 North Twenty-ninth Street, and was occupied by Lena Price, who is about 24 years old, and Louis Archer. The lamp had been burning during the night, and no other origin can be assigned for the blaze.

CHARGED THE TROUBLE TO THE DOG.

It is supposed that the lamp exploded, or, more likely, was knocked over by the dog, who was a famous rat-catcher, and spent the hours prowling about the rooms in search of prey. The flames were discovered by white residents nearby, and an alarm was turned in.

The little hut was practically destroyed. The man and woman were asleep, and were aroused by the fire. The Price woman was burned to a crisp, the body being horribly charred. After making a vain attempt to rescue her, Archer escaped, seriously injured. His arms, hands, face and back were badly burned, and his recovery is doubtful. The dog was killed by the fire.

Archer was taken to the Colored Almshouse, where his condition is as yet very serious.

Dr. Still Weds Here.

A quiet home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Giles, on Wednesday Evening, Nov. 15th, 1905. At prompt 7 o'clock Miss Caroline E. Cole, daughter of Hamilton D. Cole a caterer, of Philadelphia, and Dr. I. Thomas Still were married.

The groom is a Dermatologist, having practised in the states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey and is now practicing in Richmond.

The house was handsomely decorated with palms, growing plants and chrysanthemums. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Somers, Rector of St. Phillips Protestant Episcopal Church. The bride was attired in a blue broadcloth trimmed with lace and silk.

The bride is a native of Philadelphia and a graduate trained nurse from the Lincoln Home and Hospital, New York. The couple will reside with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Giles, No. 742 N. 3rd St. City.

The guests were Mrs. L. Cole, of Philadelphia, mother of the bride; Miss Desdemona Physique, aunt of the bride, of Philadelphia, Miss M. E. Conway of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Giles and Mr. Walter West.

Dr. Still is a native of Boston, Mass., and nephew of William Still of Philadelphia, of underground railroad fame.

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\$150.00 Endowment Paid.

Newport News, Va., Nov. 16, 1905.

This is to certify that I have received from John Mitchell, Jr., Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E., A. and A. (\$150.00) One Hundred and Fifty Dollars in payment of the death-claim of William McNealy of Rose of Sharon Lodge, No. 63 of Newport News, Va.

Signed:—C. H. Warden, Administrator.
Witnesses:—
C. H. Brown,
J. C. Gray, C. C.,
J. C. Rose of Sharon Lodge,
J. J. Booker, D. D. G. C.

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Signed:—Peter Hughes, Beneficiary.
Witnesses:—
W. G. Bell, C. C.,
J. E. Byrd, P. C.,
W. S. Hobson, K. of R. and S.,
J. J. Booker, D. D. G. C.

\$150.00 Endowment Paid.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 16th, 1905.

This is to certify that I have received from John Mitchell, Jr., Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E., A. and A. (\$150.00) One Hundred and Fifty Dollars in payment of the death-claim of Sir Bruce Black, who was a member of Pythias Lodge, No. 21 of Richmond, Va.

Signed:—Indiana Black, Administratrix.
Witnesses:—
J. J. Corprew,
F. E. Puryear,
W. H. Mills, Deputy.

\$150.00 Endowment Paid.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 16th, 1905.

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Signed:—Carrie Durham
Witnesses:—
J. C. Wilson,
F. E. Puryear,
W. H. Mills, Deputy.

\$150.00 Endowment Paid.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 20, 1905.

This is to certify that I have received from John Mitchell, Jr., Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E., A. and A. (\$150.00) One Hundred and Fifty Dollars in payment of the death-claim of Sir Anderson Johnson, who was a member of Virginia Lodge, No. 6 of Richmond, Va.

Signed:—Emma Johnson, Administratrix.
Witnesses:—
A. Hayes,
Eva G. Davis.

\$100.00 Endowment Paid.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 17, 1905.

This is to certify that I have received from John Mitchell, Jr., Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, I. O. O. F. Calanthe in payment of the death-claim of Sister Alice Grammar, who was a member of Rosetta's Court, No. 173 of Richmond, Va.

Signed:—Dennis X Grammar, his mark
Witness:—
Eva G. Davis.

The Court of Calanthe gave a grand banquet and anniversary at Martinsville, Va. Friday night, Nov. 17th at the High St. Hall. A most entertaining programme had been arranged. Committee: Miss Bertha H. Hamlin and Miss Vina Hairston. Ushers: Mary A. Cahill, Sallie Jones, Lucy Hickman. On Reception: Elizabeth Flood, Winnie Dandridge, Alice Bowe. Mistress of Ceremonies, Mrs. V. M. Early. Organist, Miss Vina A. Flood.

Property For Sale.

The Peoples Real Estate and Investment Co. is certainly forging to the front. The following is a list of some of their property listed with items and any of which can be obtained on reasonable terms.

608 N. 6th St.	\$3500.
610 N. 6th St.	3500.
612 N. 6th St.	3500.
614 N. 6th St.	3500.
1400 N. 1st St.	1750.
1402 N. 1st St.	1350.
737 N. 9th St.	1250.
1003 St. John St.	1500.
1005 St. John St.	1500.
506 N. 3rd St.	2000.
508 N. 3rd St.	2000.
514 N. 3rd St.	2000.
5 W. Duval St.	1500.
3 W. Duval St.	1150.
919 N. 7th St.	1100.
206 E. Duval St.	1100.
824 St. Paul St.	1050.
707 St. James St.	1400.
1212 1/2 St. James St.	1100.
1204 St. Paul St.	1500.
720 Munford St.	900.
808 Williams St.	900.
601 Crouch St.	900.
723 N. Buchanan St.	850.
931 N. 3rd St.	850.
33 W. Jackson St.	800.
210 E. Duval St.	750.
1016 St. James St.	1250.
202 W. Federal St.	700.
610 James St., Maddox Hill.	700.
612 James St., Maddox Hill.	700.
614 James St., Maddox Hill.	700.
616 James St., Maddox Hill.	700.
400 Cabell St.	625.
402 Cabell St.	625.
806 Graham St.	400.

VACANT LOTS.

25ft by 117 ft, Oak St. near Moore St.	375.
31ft by 90ft, Jackson between 4th and 5th Sts.	700.
75ft by 100ft, 5th St. between Jackson and Baker	
36 acres on 9 Mile road near Varina P. O.	1800.

Rev. F. L. Hall Honored—The Degree of D. D. Conferred.

The second Sunday, Nov. 12th, 1905, was a great day with St. Michael Baptist Church, Drakes Branch, Va. Rev. S. A. Moses, A. B., Field Sec. of Virginia Baptist State Convention was present and preached an able sermon from the text, Gen. 1st Chapter: "And God said let there be light." The sermon was delivered with pathos and power, deeply impressing the audience. After the sermon, Rev. F. L. Hall was presented a diploma from Guadalupe College, Seguin, Texas by Rev. Moses, which conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity. The following churches were represented by delegates and members, viz: Forest Church of Prince Edward, Va.; Henry Watkins and J. B. Doswell; Morrison Grove, Wm. Shepherdson and A. Harris; Shiloh, Grief Elam; Mossingford, Harrod Johnson and Pleasant Lee; Organ Hill, Thaddeus Daniel and Landon Hicks; Beautiful Plain, Thomas Rend and Samuel Hamlet.

The deacons were asked to say a word in reference to Rev. Hall's work among the people for 21 years. J. B. Doswell said that Rev. Hall has been our pastor for 20 years and we as a church think that he is as worthy of honor as any minister in the United States. A. Harris said, "Bro. Hall is worthy of the confidence of the Baptists of America. Grief Elam said, "The first time I met Rev. Hall when he was a mere lad. He served us seven years and resigned for a larger field. We would like to have him serve us again. Harrod Johnson said "He has spent the greater portion of his time as a teacher and preacher in our community and we would not like to be without him. Thaddeus Daniel reported that he had known Rev. Hall from a boy having lived at one time in his family and that there was none such as a worker for the good of the people. Thomas Rend said that Rev. Hall was a fighter for the right of no mean quality, having been tested on many occasions.

Rev. S. A. Moses made a touching speech and presented the diploma. Mrs. Fannie Smith presented Rev. Hall with a bouquet just as he was about to respond. Bro. Hall said in part "I shall try to bloom in my work just as these flowers and go on from least to more and strive to make the world better. I had no idea that the Baptists of Virginia were noticing my work among the people at all. Will try to wear the honor with dignity. "I am pressing on the upward way," was sung by the audience and a collection of \$21.11 was taken.

Rev. Moses preached also at 5 o'clock from the text, Matt. 27-63, "Saying sir, we remember that that deceiver said while he was yet alive." Bro. Moses handled the subject well. The choir sang several selections and collection of \$5.24 was taken. Total collection for the day was \$26.35. The Church gave Rev. S. A. Moses for State Missions, \$17.38.

F. L. HALL, D. D. Pastor.
A. H. KEYTON, Clerk.